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In re Application of

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For: DOOR APPARATUS FOR DRAWER TYPE REFRIGERATOR

REVISED REPLY TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction/Election Requirement dated November 17, 2006, and in reply to the Notice of Non-Compliance dated February 28, 2007, Applicants hereby elect Group 1 (claims 1-18) with traverse. Further, in response to the Election of Species Requirement, Applicants hereby elect Species A, Figs. 4 and 5. It is respectfully submitted that at least claims 1-4 read on the elected species.

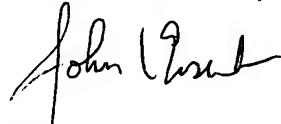
It is respectfully submitted that the subject matter of each of the designated inventions is sufficiently related that a thorough search for the subject matter of each of the designated inventions would encompass a search for the subject matter of the remaining designated inventions. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that the search and examination of the entire application could be made without serious burden. See MPEP §803 in which it states that "if the search and examination of an entire application can be made without

serious burden, the Examiner must examine it on the merits, even though it includes claims to distinct or independent inventions." It is respectfully submitted that this policy should apply in the present application in order to avoid unnecessary delay and expense to Applicant and duplicative examination by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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